

HOUSE BILL 2684

By Hill

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 67,
Chapter 6, relative to the retail sale of food and
food ingredients.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Effective 12:01 a.m. on July 1, 2011, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 67-6-228(a), is amended by deleting the words, figures and symbols "at the rate of five and one-half percent (5.5%) of the sales price." and by substituting instead the following:

at the rate of four and one-half percent (4.5%) of the sales price.

SECTION 2. Effective 12:01 a.m. on July 1, 2012, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 67-6-228(a), is amended by deleting the words, figures and symbols "at the rate of four and one-half percent (4.5%) of the sales price." and by substituting instead the following:

at the rate of three and one-half percent (3.5%) of the sales price.

SECTION 3. Effective 12:01 a.m. on July 1, 2013, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 67-6-228(a), is amended by deleting the words, figures and symbols "at the rate of three and one-half percent (3.5%) of the sales price." and by substituting instead the following:

at the rate of two and one-half percent (2.5%) of the sales price.

SECTION 4. Effective 12:01 a.m. on July 1, 2014, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 67-6-228(a), is amended by deleting the words, figures and symbols "at the rate of two and one-half percent (2.5%) of the sales price." and by substituting instead the following:

at the rate of one and one-half percent (1.5%) of the sales price.

SECTION 5. Effective 12:01 a.m. on July 1, 2015, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 67-6-228(a), is amended by deleting the subsection in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

(a) Except as otherwise provided by subsection (b), the retail sale of food and food ingredients for human consumption shall be exempt from state tax levied by this part on the sale of personal property at retail; provided, however, notwithstanding the provisions of any law to the contrary, any county or incorporated city or town, exercising its option to impose local taxes pursuant to § 67-6-702(a), may levy or continue to levy such local option tax on retail sales of food and food ingredients for human consumption. It is the legislative intent that local option sales taxes, collected pursuant to the provisions of § 67-6-702(a), shall not be affected by the provisions of this act.

SECTION 6. It is the legislative intent that implementation of the Streamlined Sales Tax Agreement within this state shall not amend or otherwise affect tax rates established or authorized pursuant to the provisions of this act.

SECTION 7. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.